

NEWS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTY

Correspondence From All Over the County Telling of Improvements and Local Happenings During The Past Week—Your Subscription Will Receive Prompt Attention.

Estacada

ESTACADA, Dec. 20.—Among the passengers for Portland Saturday morning were Mrs. A. W. Botkin, Mrs. A. E. Sparks, Mrs. N. B. Becker, Evelyn Bacon, Mrs. L. E. Townsend, Mrs. Mae Reed and daughter, Florence June, and V. M. Hauser.

Herman Wallace came home last Saturday night from Portland, where he has been attending the Reed college.

Mac Dale, who is attending the dental college in Portland, spent the week-end with his parents.

Mrs. Herman Wallace is assisting in the Silver Star restaurant.

Miss Mabel Wilcox has been employed to assist at the Peoples' store until after the holidays.

Elliot Stewart, foreman at the News office, has been suffering with a severe cold which nearly laid him up for a few days, the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Loretta Sagner had charge of the library last Saturday while the librarian was in Portland.

A decree of divorce was granted at Oregon City last week, to Veneta Hogan against Floyd Hogan. The Hogans had charge of the dining room at the Estacada hotel last summer for a few months.

Mrs. W. H. Grabeel, wife of conductor Grabeel, visited Portland last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Cary, of the Estacada hotel, were Thursday visitors on business in Portland.

There was a break in the extreme cold weather in this vicinity Monday morning, when rain began to fall. The snow which covered the ground soon disappeared.

While coming from Portland last Friday evening with his truck which was quite heavily loaded, Ed Saling had the misfortune to go into a ditch. No one was injured and not much damage done.

Wanda, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Carter of River Mill, was taken to Portland last Sunday and later was operated upon at St. Vincent's hospital for a mastoid trouble. At this writing, Tuesday, she is reported as getting along satisfactorily.

R. C. Deming, who is now living at Los Angeles, California, but well known in this vicinity where he resided for a number of years, was held up one night recently by a young robber. He was relieved of only a small amount of change, the highwayman overloading a ten dollar bill which Mr. Deming had in one of his pockets.

Miss Irma Gates spent the week-end with Portland relatives and friends.

The A. F. & A. M. and the O. E. S. will have a joint installation at the I. O. O. F. hall on this Friday night.

Miss Helen Wooster and Raymond Lovelace were out from Portland to spend the week-end with Estacada relatives.

Mrs. V. W. Hauser and children visited relatives in Portland the first of the week.

The Community Club has postponed its meeting from this Friday night to the evening of December 29, next week.

The Reed building on Broadway is being remodeled and a petition placed through the center, so that it can be occupied by the Sanitary barber shop and the south room used for an office.

Russell Reed, son of Mrs. Mae Reed, returned from Corvallis Sunday evening and will have a vacation until January first.

Mrs. George Hislop cut her hand on a glass quite badly one day this week, which necessitated the services of a physician to dress. It is getting along nicely.

The baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. James Syms, who has been very sick with pneumonia, is getting along nicely now.

The Christmas exercises at the Methodist church have been postponed from Thursday evening to Saturday evening. There will be a tree and program.

The Christmas exercises at the Christian church will be held next Sunday.

Mrs. G. E. Lawrence, who has been in Michigan for some time, called there on account of the death of a sister, is expected home this week.

Carl Kimmel is home from the O. A. C. for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Burt Moore went to Portland last week where Mr. Moore will be under a specialist's care for a few days. They are at the home of Mrs. Moore's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andy Richmond.

George Harkenrider is spending the Christmas vacation at the home of his parents at this place. He is a student at the O. A. C.

There will be a dance at the pavilion on Saturday evening, Dec. 23. Mr. Cleworth will have a picture for the Gem on Christmas night as well as Sunday night.

The Franklin high school basketball team failed to show up Tuesday night with a game advertised with the Estacada high school team. However, a practice game was played and everybody was satisfied. The school has the pavilion in the park rented for their games.

The members of the faculty of the Estacada schools will mostly go away for their Christmas vacation. Supt. Karl Einarson and Mrs. Einarson will stay in Estacada, Miss Iva Peterson will go to her home at Beaverton and also visit at Hood River. Mr. and Mrs. Percy Dave expect to remain in Estacada but G. H. Jack and wife will go to Multnomah. Miss Mary Atkinson goes to Bend to visit with friends.

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Miss Lella Howe will remain at home with her mother, Mrs. Helen Curry and Miss Clara Nelson will go to their respective homes at Silverton and Portland. Miss Dorothy Ward to her home at Knappa, Wash., Miss Esther Gabe to Harrisburg, and Miss Grete Brumage to her home in Portland. The schools close Friday and will take up again on the Tuesday after New Years.

Mrs. Howard W. Mort returned from Portland last Friday after being absent for a couple of weeks on account of the death of her brother, and Pastor Mort says that everything is running along smoothly at the parsonage again.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Gohring were business visitors in Portland Tuesday.

Mrs. Mae Reed, the retiring worthy of the O. E. S. of Estacada, gave a reception to the members of the chapter at her home on Upper Main street, Tuesday afternoon. The time was spent in visiting and a social time. Dainty and delicious refreshments were served, the hostess being assisted in the serving by her two daughters, Mary Alice and Florence June Reed.

There were over twenty ladies present and they certainly enjoyed the hospitality of the hostess, Mrs. Reed.

L. V. Cleworth made his annual trip out from Portland last Saturday and Sunday.

Beaver Creek

BEAVER CREEK, Dec. 18.—A large crowd attended the "hard times" dance held at the grange hall Saturday evening. Prizes were awarded to Miss Ruth French and Wm. Thomas for being the most appropriately dressed. The dance was given for the purpose of raising further funds for the Christmas tree, and whatever is not needed for that will be turned over to the baseball boys to help pay for the piano.

There will be a community Christmas tree with a good program at the grange hall next Saturday evening.

Alfred Beatie, who is a student at O. A. C. came home last week to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Cain entertained relatives from Portland over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Bloomer of Kery are spending the holiday season at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Schram.

Miss Grace Losh of Oregon City was a weekend guest of Miss Genevieve Lovelace in Portland.

Mrs. D. Makinster visited with her daughters in Portland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Foglesong spent Sunday afternoon with the latter's parents at Clarkes.

Clarkes

CLARKES, Dec. 18.—We had about 4 inches of snow on the ground for four days and last Sunday we had a little silver shaw but it is raining now and the snow will soon be gone.

Mrs. A. F. Buche was in Portland last week visiting friends.

Chas. T. Wolfard and George Buchanan were Portland visitors last week.

The Clarkes school will have a big Christmas tree on Friday evening, Dec. 22 and all are welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jones in Oregon City last Saturday.

Claude Bottemiller is home to stay for a short time.

Carl Buche was in Oregon City last Saturday.

Mrs. Clarence Lee and family visited Mrs. G. Rogers and family last Sunday.

Miss Esther Elmer, who had an operation for appendicitis, is home and getting along fine.

Clarence Lee recently visited his grandfather, Mr. Lee, of Oregon City who is very ill.

W. H. Bottemiller was in Milwaukie last week to visit his sister, Mrs. G. Keller.

Eagle Creek

Creek grange held its regular session, about 40 being present, in spite of the snow and cold weather. A pleasant time was spent. Election of officers was held and four candidates, Mrs. Rose Freeman, the Misses Alice and Clara Bell and Corine Trullinger, were obligated in the first and second degrees.

Mrs. C. H. Paddison was a Portland visitor last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Evans entertained a number of people Saturday evening. Several of their neighbors coming and spending a pleasant evening with them. Refreshments were served at midnight.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Gibson were the Sunday guests of H. S. Gibson.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Douglass and children were the Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Douglass, of Currinsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hoffmeister dressed some turkeys the other day for the Christmas market.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Haley and Ernest Hoffmeister were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hoffmeister Sunday.

Gladstone Locals

Mrs. E. Ketels, who has been critically ill for the past two weeks is improving. Her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ketels of Holcomb Road are caring for her, making the trip to and from their farm in their car.

J. R. Dallas, a prominent farmer of Carver, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Ray Dummire of Fern Ridge, the first of the week.

Edward W. Eby returned to his home here from Astoria, Sunday. Mr. Eby was employed by Thomas Muir contractor, and was building a new hotel. This building was destroyed

by the recent fire, but will be rebuilt on other fireproof plans later.

The ladies of the Christian church cleared over \$150 at their bazaar and supper, given at the church Wednesday evening. This will be placed in the church fund and used for improvements about the church.

The damage done to the local post-office by eggs is being repaired by Postmistress A. F. Parker. Mr. Johnston is doing the work. The damage, including the lock boxes destroyed, will amount to about \$300 not including the safe, which was the personal property of the late A. F. Parker.

The ladies of the Christian church are planning a musical to be given at the church Sunday, Dec. 24, which will include F. A. Burdon's orchestra, special music by the choir under the direction of Miss Nora W. Webster and a boys' chorus of 20 voices.

In place of a Christmas tree, the ladies are planning a Christmas party to be given in the basement of the Christian church Friday evening, Dec. 22. A program by the children will be given and a general good time enjoyed by all.

Pete's Mountain

PETES MOUNTAIN, Dec. 18.—Among the Oregon City visitors this week were Mr. and Mrs. John Hellberg, Godlieb Notdurft, Frank Lambert, Charles Kehnhofer, Joe Carl and Agnes Bernart and Dutch Weddle.

Mrs. Jack Farqueson has been sick but has been improving steadily.

Joe Bernert spent Saturday evening and Sunday in Portland.

Corral Creek School

Contributed by Pupils of Corral Creek School

The exceptionally good spirit of cooperation which is at all times manifest between the Corral Creek district and the school was again evidenced last week. On Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ridder served a hot chicken dinner to the school. This is the second surprise-dinner which has been served to the school this term by the school patrons.

Alice Baker, three-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Baker of Portland and grand daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allison Baker of this place, died at her parents home in Portland last week. Funeral services were held in Portland and interment made here in Hood View cemetery.

School visitors last week included Miss Josephine Graham, Eleanor Say, Lena Reissner, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ridder and Lloyd Jones.

Miss Norma Carlson, who attends Miss Catlin's school in Portland, is spending her Christmas vacation here at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jones.

The school is planning a Christmas entertainment to be given Friday night. There will be a program and Christmas tree. Everyone is invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Jones and family spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Toose.

Reed Graham was a business visitor in Wilsonville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Doris Young of Wilsonville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Rob Graham.

Will Ridder attended a shooting match at Shackley's place last Saturday.

Ralph Jones and Mrs. Blanche Brown spent the week-end in Portland.

Hazelia School Notes

Contributed by Pupils of Hazelia School

There will be a musical Christmas program at the Hazelia Sunday school Sunday, December 24, immediately following the regular morning Sunday school services. Everybody welcome.

Frank Whitten was an Oregon City visitor Friday.

Joe Sprousta and children, Lena and Manola Garcia and Andrew Mandist were Portland visitors Sunday.

Lawrence Duncan helped the Frank Whitten's boys install a radio this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery and son of Parkplace were Sunday visitors at the E. R. Whitten home.

R. J. and W. H. Zivney and families, Frank Whitten and family, Harold and Kenneth Baker, D. E. Christensen and family were Portland Christmas shoppers last week.

R. J. Wanker of Medical Springs, Oregon, arrived at the home of his parents Sunday evening. He brought a carload of cattle down and expects to return home soon.

Mrs. Geo. Nagl and Mrs. F. W. Lehman have been helping with the care of the latter's sister, Mrs. Frank Childs, who is critically ill at her home. Dr. Huycke has been in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Seeley of Portland were Sunday visitors at the A. Neilson home.

Mrs. J. P. Cook spent Thursday with Mrs. A. Neilson.

Mrs. Max Forte of Portland, who has been ill at the home of her father, J. H. Eastman, returned to her home in Portland Sunday.

D. E. Long and E. R. Whitten were Oregon City visitors Saturday.

Miss Lula Wanker spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wanker.

Dr. Huycke of Oregon City has made several calls at the A. Neilson home recently. Mr. Neilson has been seriously ill the past week and is still in a critical condition at this writing.

Milton Evans of Oswego visited his aunt, Mrs. C. W. Childs, Sunday. Fred Lehman and children took dinner at the Frank Whitten home one day this week.

TREASURY DRAIN FOR WAR PURPOSES EXPLODED THEORY

Fallacy Is Shown Up Through Completion of Budget of U. S. Government for Year of 1923; Costs Are Listed.

LARGE SUM IS SPENT UPON WATERWAYS

Nearly Half of Expenses Are Taken Up in Payment On Federal Outstanding Debt.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—(Special Correspondence).—The estimate of appropriations needed for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1923, and ending June 30, 1924, as submitted by the budget bureau, completely demolishes that standard piece of fiction which has been in service many years, to the effect that 90 cents out of every dollar expended by this government is expended for war purposes. The budget bureau analyzes the estimated expenditures, showing how the average dollar appropriated will be divided. The division will be as follows:

For support of the legislative branch of the government, 4 cents; for the veterans bureau, 14.5 cents; for other commissions, boards and bureaus outside the regular departments, 1 cent; department of agriculture, 4.3 cents; department of commerce, 8 cents; department of justice, including United States supreme court and other federal judiciary, 5 cents; department of labor, 2 cents; navy department, 10.1 cents; state department, 5 cents; treasury department, including appropriations for payment of interest on public debt and reduction of principal, 46.5 cents; war department, including administration of Panama canal, river and harbor improvements and other non-military activities, 9.9 cents; District of Columbia, 8 cents. The postoffice department is largely supported from postal revenue.

This clearly shows that the United States is far from being a militaristic nation. In fact, in another chart furnished by the budget bureau it is demonstrated that out of every dollar expended, only 13.5 cents goes to purely military and naval purposes in the interest of national defense. The total expenditures charged as "military functions" are 32.7 cents out of every dollar. This includes the 13.5 cents above mentioned for strictly defense purposes and 19.2 cents for pensions, retirement pay, veterans bureau, etc.

According to this chart, 34.4 cents out of every dollar expended by the government goes for what is classified as "non-functional" purposes—that is, payment of interest on public debt, retirement of principal of public debt, etc. For the purposes of "general functions" such as cost of the legislative branch of the government, and general overhead of the various administrative agencies, 2.8 cents of every dollar is expended. For what are known as "civil functions," which constitute practically all of the administrative agencies of the government, 27.3 cents are expended.

A table accompanying this chart compares the expenditures of the present fiscal year and the estimated expenditures for the next fiscal year beginning July 1, 1923, with expenditures as far back as the fiscal year of 1915. This comparison shows a general reduction in all classes of expenditures, but the greatest reduction to be in the expenditures for military and naval purposes. In 1915, 41.5 cents out of every dollar was spent for military functions.

The budget bureau also submits a comparative statement of the appropriations proposed for the fiscal year beginning next July with those which were made for the current fiscal year. This shows a decrease of \$169,656,934. The principal decreases are in the department of the interior—approximately \$11,000,000; treasury department—approximately \$12,000,000; war department—approximately \$20,000,000; shipping board—approximately \$50,000,000.

A few departments show an increase in estimated appropriations for the next year over this, but with the exception of the department of agriculture and the veterans bureau, these increases are small. The department of agriculture shows an increase of approximately \$20,000,000 due to the increased appropriations for highway improvements. The veterans bureau shows an increase of \$18,000,000 over this year.

Representative in City—

George Randall Jr., whose home is at Central Point, was in Oregon City Wednesday. While in the city he visited his father, George Randall Sr., and other relatives. Randall was recently elected as representative to the legislature.

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LOAN TO GERMANY BY AMERICA NOW HELD IMPROBABLE

New York Financier Declares Teuton Government Is Not in Position to Sell Bond Issue to People of U. S.

FUTURE HELP MAY BE EXTENDED IS THEORY

Reparations Difficulty Said Fault of Stand Taken by Administration of Wilson.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—An address by Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan & Co., before the council of foreign relations last night in which he discussed prospects of a loan to Germany, was regarded today as one of the most significant statements yet made on the question.

The American people have no intention of making a loan to Germany, he said, because she is not in any position at the present time "to inspire our people with confidence to buy her bonds."

Lamont stated conditions under which he believed a German loan might be floated in this country at some future time—not a large loan but enough to enable Germany "to get over the hill."

These conditions, he said, were the settlement of the reparation problem and the fixing of a definite sum so that Germany would be aware of her obligation.

"Following the fixation of this sum," he continued, "Germany must set out on a period of deflation. There may possibly come with that a scheme of the allies for the supervision of such deflation, including the administration of Germany's customs."

"Even if a loan is advanced," he said, "I doubt if Germany will be lent a sum sufficient to discharge her reparations debt."

Lamont denied that the state department had sent the German ambassador to confer with Morgan here recently. He further expressed his opinion that the people of this country have the utmost sympathy for France and that they would be glad to lend money to her "on a large scale."

Another speaker, John Foster Dulles, a former member of the reparations commission, declared the present difficulty in the reparations question was due largely to the stand of former President Wilson.

"It is the situation which Mr. Wilson created then that now affects the whole problem," said Dulles, "and the American people should not be disinterested in undoing it."

Dulles related that the move of the allies at the peace conference to force Germany to pay the total war debts



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CHICAGO CRIME WAVE IS INCREASED BY COLD

CHICAGO, Dec. 19.—Death, fire and crime stalked with the cold wave which continued to hold Chicago in its grip today.

Zero temperatures which prevailed over the city for the past three days caused five deaths, thousands of dollars damage from fire and hundreds of minor robberies.

With freezing weather coming just before the holidays, the crime and fire wave was one of the worst in the history of the city, police declared. Acute suffering was reported among the poor in several sections of the city and relief societies were rushed with work.

Four men were found frozen to death last night. Another man was killed when he slipped on the icy pavement and fell in the path of a skidding automobile.

The fire department has had hardly a moment's rest in the last three days. More than 200 alarms of fire were answered. Scores of families were forced to flee from their burning homes onto the wind-swept streets, clad only in night clothes. Ninety per cent of the fires were caused by overheated furnaces, fire department officials said.

Pickpockets, shoplifters, second-story workers and holdup men worked overtime. Police headquarters was deluged with reports of robberies ranging from a few dollars to thousands.

"Cold weather always brings more crime," police said. "So does the holiday season. Combine them and we have a bad situation."

The weather bureau predicted moderating temperature tonight, but indicated another cold wave would follow at the end of the week.

Funeral Service of A. McFarland Held

The funeral of Alexander McFarland was held from the Holman & Pace chapel in this city Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. A. H. Lathrop, pastor of the Methodist church, officiated. Many friends of the family, both from this city and from Central Point, where deceased had made his home attended. As Mr. McFarland was a member of the Moose lodge, this order was largely represented from Portland.

Interment was in the family lot in Zion cemetery, Canby.

McFarland died in the Oregon City hospital from pneumonia Saturday afternoon, after a week's illness. He was taken ill at Greenleaf, Wash., where he was employed.

Deceased was 34 years of age, and is survived by his wife and three little children, of Central Point, Clackamas county, where Mr. McFarland engaged in farming until going to Greenleaf. He was the son-in-law of Mrs. Bessie Dundas, of this city.

RATE REDUCTIONS UPON COMMODITY SHIPMENTS LOOM

Tentative Report On Plans Of Fourth Section Relief Made by Examiner After Hearing in San Francisco.

OREGON CITY WILL BE AFFECTED BY CHANGE

Draft of Recommendations To Commerce Commission Sent to Commercial Club.

Reduction in commodity rates between Portland and California coast terminal points, which will make a considerable difference in the charges on shipments to and from Oregon City is recommended to the Interstate Commerce Commission in the tentative report of Examiner S. W. McM. Woodrow, as the result of the hearing held eight months ago in San Francisco.

Ralph Shepherd, head of the traffic department of the commercial club, Tuesday received word of the result of the hearing. Representing the commercial club and local industrial plants, Shepherd went to San Francisco to urge the granting of the requested fourth section relief.

The petition for the reduction was made by the railroad in order to meet water competition. Only the terminal rate is affected and the differential to interior points will not be reduced though in some classifications changes in the south will be made covering interior points at present enjoying practically terminal rates.

The ruling, if made by the commission in accordance with the recommendations will affect both carload and l. c. l. commodity shipments. Class rates will not be affected.

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